

Brentwood NEWSLETTER



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Brentwood, New Hampshire

July-August 2009

From the Selectmen's Office

Position Open: Emergency Management Dir.

It was with great sadness that we recently received the resignation of Carole Belliveau, our Emergency Management Director. Carole was a huge asset to the Town in her position as Emergency Management Director and her ability to handle this position was demonstrated during December's ice storm. Our thanks go out to Carole for a job well done!

As a result of her resignation, we are putting out a call to any resident who may be interested in the position of Emergency Management Director. The responsibilities and duties are too lengthy to include in this article, but to receive further information you can contact the Selectmen's Office at 642-6400 x10.

Fire Station Update

The Fire Station Building Committee is in the process of completing an application for American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Assistance to Firefighters Fire Station Construction Grant. They are working diligently to meet the July 10, 2009 deadline.

The Committee has received a revised bid from Ricci Construction which would address all the criteria required to receive ARRA Funds (such as using only US made products and using the Davis/Bacon wage requirements) of \$2,234,065.

It is the Committee's feeling that the Town would be more apt to receive funding if it were to offer matching funds. The application they submit will reflect a 40% match on the part of the Town. If the grant is approved, a special town meeting would be required to vote on the fire station. Look for further information and updates in the Newsletter and on the website.

Julie Stevens, Town Administrator

Brentwood was incorporated by the Province of New Hampshire on June 26, 1742. Therefore we are beginning our 268th year of existence as a town.

July & August Recycling Dates

July 7 & 8
July 21 & 22
August 4 & 5
August 18 & 19

Brentwood Fireworks Display to be July 17

Thanks to All Our Sponsors

As most of the town knows by now, the town fireworks display behind the Rockingham Country Nursing Home had to be postponed until **Friday, July 17**, because the fields were too wet for parking cars and working with the display pieces. It is expected that there will be some drying by the 17th. However, a rain date of July 18 is planned if necessary.

We wish to thank those who have sponsored this year's celebration to date:

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| A Place to Grow | Krista Larsen Designs |
| Advanced Roofing | MTI |
| Bayside Distributing | Painters Union |
| Betty Ayers | Pet Spaw |
| Bill Kahlil & Daughters Auto | Ralph Mahoney & Sons |
| Brentwood Chiropractic | RTH Mechanical |
| Brentwood Power Equipment | Sales LLC |
| Brentwood Springs Water | Seymour Woodworking |
| Brentwood Surplus Sales | Skaff Cryogenics |
| Brentwood Fence | Starkey Welding |
| Burke's Trucks | Steve Sampson |
| Carparts of Epping | Steven Cummings |
| David Twitchell Enterprises | Stratham Tire |
| Roger & Irene Crosby | Sunrise Foods |
| Difeo Oil & Propane | Tarantin Tank |
| Harry's Franconia Fuel | The Hub Real Estate |
| Jeff Bryan Remodeling | The Provider |
| John & Jacqueline Agel | |

We also extend sincere thanks to those who have made cash donations to the collection jars at the Town Office and the Brentwood Country Store.

There is still time for other sponsors to add their donations toward this year's display.

Brentwood 4th of July Committee

Wayne Robinson, Jane Byrne and Phyllis Thompson, Treasurer

TOWN OF BRENTWOOD On the Web: www.brentwoodnh.gov**TOWN CLERK and TAX COLLECTOR:**

Phone: 642-6400 X 14

Monday-Thursday 9:00-4:30

Tuesday evening 7:00-9:00

Friday 8:30-4:00

Saturday Closed

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:

Phone: 642-6400 X 10 Fax: 642-6310

Monday-Thursday 8:00-4:30

Friday 9:00-1:00

MARY E. BARTLETT LIBRARYPhone: 642-3355 E-mail: bartlettlibrary@comcast.netOn the Web: www.brentwoodlibrary.org

Monday 2-7 Thursday 9-5

Tuesday 9-5 Friday 9-1

Wednesday 9-5 Saturday 9-1

Story Hours: Wednesday 10:30 – July only

SWASEY CENTRAL SCHOOL

Phone: 642-3487

Swasey School on the Web: <http://scs.sau16.org>SAU 16 on the Web: <http://www.sau16.org>**From the Town Clerk's Office**

► When you **register your car**, **bring two checks**, one for the State and one for the Town of Brentwood. **Also bring** the letter we send you, or your old registration. We need the information printed there. The State does not send us pre-printed forms any more.

► The Town Clerk's office is closed on Saturdays in June, July and August.

Brentwood Police Join in Special Olympics Torch Run

On Friday, June 12 several Brentwood Police Officers, along with dispatchers from Rockingham County, and county Correction Officers/supervisors, participated in the torch run for Special Olympics. The runners met at the court house in Kingston and starting at 10:00am, the course was run along Rte 125 to Epping Park and Ride, where the torch was passed to Epping to continue on. The Special Olympics games took place in Durham.

Waste Tonnage Figures

| | <u>April</u> | <u>May</u> |
|-------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Tons, mixed solid waste | 123.17 | 107.78 |
| Tons, recycled goods | 27.1 (18.1%) | 23.02 (17.6%) |

Storm Debris Clean-up

Hats-off to the highway crew and helpers who removed storm debris from residences during April and May! They worked 11 days hauling over 336 tons of debris to Brentwood Distribution on Pine Road. The Selectmen would like to join the many residents who phoned the town office in thanking the highway employees and those who assisted for all of their hard work!

Congratulations to Phyllis Thompson, who rounded out her 30th year as Town Clerk in June!

Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Reminder: the date for the household hazardous waste collection in Brentwood is **Saturday, September 26** at the Highway Shed on Middle Road from **9:00am-noon**. Contact the town office for a list of acceptable items.

In August 1742, a month after Brentwood was incorporated, there were already 126 taxpayers in town. Settlers had been moving into the area and working the land for 90 years, since 1652.

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Business Card Directory: \$20 per insertion, available in April, September & December issues.

Business Article: \$100 half page, \$200 full page, available in any issue.

Deadline for September issue: Friday, Aug. 21

Mail or bring your articles to Linda Rousseau, 90 Prescott Road, Brentwood, NH 03833,
or e-mail to lindarou@rcn.com

Exeter High School Graduates

The Brentwood community congratulates all who have graduated from Exeter High School and all other institutions. Best wishes go with you in your future endeavors.

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|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Emily Avant | Benjamin Goodrich |
| David Ballard III | Daniel Ingalls |
| Mariana Batryn | Samantha Isabelle |
| Christopher Becker | Ashley Jones |
| John Berlo | Michelle LaPointe |
| Melanie Berry | Matilda Lauermann |
| Ashley Burke | Gary Lemoine |
| Shaylee Burns | Chelsea Metivier |
| Cody Byron | Dominic Mirabelle |
| Matthew Chalmers | Derek Mumford |
| Alissa Champigny | Hannah O'Connell |
| Dylan Chenevert | Benjamin Oppici |
| Augustus Chua | Andrew Page |
| Kerri Lee Cossette | Benjamin Peterson |
| Alyssa Crafts | Richard Phelan |
| Sarah Cresitello-Dittmar | Alex Potvin |
| Robert Curtis | Janelle Prosser |
| Anthony DiNardo | Steven Rislove |
| Taylor Dunham | Tanner Rose |
| Amber Evans | Kimberly Rowe |
| Sean Flagg | Sara Rushia |
| Ryan Garland | Iain Shorland |
| Brittany George | Ana Sousa-Santos |
| Krista Gill | Kasey Stefanelli |
| Ryan Glowacky | Matthew Toleos |

Other Graduations

Christopher A. Graham graduated from Plymouth State University with a Bachelor of Science in Business with a major in Business and a minor in Finance. He made the dean's list for three of his four years there. He is the son of Warren and Marybeth Graham of Lake Road.

Elias Chul Lauermann, son of Stephen and Gail Lauermann of Sherman Avenue, graduated from Ithaca College in Ithaca, NY on May 17 with a Bachelor of Music degree in music education. While at Ithaca, his principle instrument was piano.

June Mailing Crew

Many thanks on behalf of the community to those who assembled the June *Newsletter* for mailing: Ellen Christiansen, Ken Christiansen, Martha Clark, Joanne Davis, Thirza Northrup Lausier, Kim Lord, Sally Lufkin, Brad Stevens and Norman Wilson.

Linda Rousseau, Editor

Scholarships -- Exeter High School and Seacoast School of Technology

Congratulations also to those who pursued scholarships and received them. It took extra effort to do this and they are to be commended.

David Ballard -- Exeter Education Association Scholarship.

Dylan Chenevert -- John A. Anderson Memorial Scholarship; Exeter Lions Club Scholarship; Carl Walker Brewitt Scholarship; & SST/Community College System of NH Scholarship.

Alyssa Crafts -- John Gaynor Memorial Trust Scholarship; Lucy Eleanor Manix Dawson Scholarship; SST Exeter Area GFWC Scholarship; & SST/Exeter Woman's Club Scholarship.

Krista Gill -- Exeter Education Association Scholarship; The Blue Polly Scholarship; & SST/Exeter Area GFWC Scholarship.

Daniel Ingalls -- Blanche C. Bailey Memorial Scholarship.

Gary Lemoine -- Lindon-Green Memorial Scholarship.

Chelsea Metivie -- Lt. Michael Bennett Memorial Scholarship.

Derek Mumford -- Houston MacArthur Scholarship; Blue Line Hockey Scholarship; and Stephen P. Bell/Timothy A. Bell/Tricia Flynn Caley Memorial Scholarship.

Kimberly Rowe -- John Gaynor Memorial Trust Scholarship.

Sara Rushia -- Brentwood Teachers' Association Scholarship.

Achievements

Dr. Elizabeth Melendy has finished her residency in pediatrics from Portland's Maine Medical Center. A graduate of Swasey School and Exeter High School, she received her B.S. from Dickinson College and her MD from the University of Vermont. In July she will join CORE Physicians and will be starting a pediatric practice in Plaistow, NH. She is the daughter of Ann Melendy of Flanders Drive.

Bryan Kolacz, a sophomore and a track and field star at Keene State College, won the 2009 Division III national championship in the hammer throw, and was named a *New Hampshire Union Leader* May Athlete of the Month. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Kolacz, Jr. of Scrabble Road.

Samantha Whitehouse, daughter of Butch and Michele Whitehouse of Old Gordon Road, has made the Dean's List for the 2009 spring semester at the University of New Hampshire, Durham.

Sydney Kerkhove, daughter of Anton and Margaret Kerkhove of Bartlett Rd., made the Dean's List for the 2008-2009 academic year at California State University, Chico.

So, what do you think???

The Recreation Department is interested in your opinion on future program offerings for both Youths and Adults and facilities development or expansion. Would you like a skateboard park, tennis court or craft programs? Would you be interested in rec.-sponsored trips?

What would you like to see us continue and what would you like us to consider adding or changing? Please consider sharing your thoughts and opinions, so we can build a better program for the years ahead. Send any comments to recreation@brentwoodnh.gov or call 642-6400 ext.20.

Project Hang it Out!

The Brentwood Energy Committee invites you to join "Project Hang it Out", as described in the last two *Brentwood Newsletters*. We hope residents will hang their clothes out to dry and avoid using their dryer, which consumes a lot of energy and therefore adds significantly to the electric bill. (It is definitely a challenge during periods of wet weather like we have been experiencing this June!)

We also hope that local artists will capture Brentwood clotheslines in whatever media they choose: painting, photography, writing or music.

On June 23rd I visited Mina Bradley's 3rd Grade class at Swasey School and we talked about energy use and laundry. They presented me with their artistic creations depicting outdoor laundry lines. Some were colorful paintings; others were clever 3-D panoramas made entirely with recycled materials. Our art exhibit (to be held in the Library late in the fall) is well under way!

If you want to join "Project Hang it Out" as a volunteer laundry line or as an artist, contact one of us on the Brentwood Energy Committee and we will get you together.

Joan Pratt (cpratt@exeter.edu, 778-8881)

Sue and Ray Jones (soozweb@surfbest.net, 642-6620)

Margaret and Anton Kerkhove (amsv@comcast.net)

Emily Schmalzer (schmalzer1@comcast.net, 642-5409)

Sympathy

Sincere sympathy is extended to the family of Kevin F. Stumm of Flanders Drive, who died June 5th. Born in Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania, he had lived in Brentwood for 14 years. He was vice president of customer service for Watts Water Technologies Inc. in North Andover, Massachusetts for 13 years.

2009 Willow Pond Community Farm Cooking Classes by Chef Ted McCormack

Preparing the harvest for today and preserving the harvest for tomorrow

Classes are held at the Pilgrim Church in Brentwood on Tuesdays from 5:30-8pm and are limited to 12 people of all ages and abilities. Email Ted@flaghill.com to sign up for a fun time learning about preparing seasonal favorites. All classes are \$25 per person

July 21 "Pizza Kit"

Thin crust, deep dish and grilled pizzas! Prepare your own pizza dough and fresh vegetable toppings. Sample some local cheese and sausages.

August 4 "Canning & Pickling"

Bread & Butter Pickles, Dilly Beans and Tomato Salsa. Bring your own jars if you have them. Participants will leave with canned produce for the cupboard.

August 18 "More Canning"

Chutney, Pepper Jelly, and Pepper Relish. Bring your own jars if you have them. Participants will leave with canned produce for the cupboard.

The 4th of July Parade

It has to be a special town that can say, "We may be small, but we have had a Fourth of July Parade every year for 24 years, since 1986!" What can be better for families and children, friends and neighbors, than sprucing up a little and marching with pride for our flag and our country?

Special recognition and thanks need to go to the Brentwood Police and Fire/Rescue Departments, who never fail to get our parades off to an elegant, exciting start. This year the Parade Marshal was CPO Jon Worrall, USN, driving the decorated Jeep marshal's car.

Other participants were Mark and Robin King and family with a float; Michele Silak as Lady Liberty; Doug and Linda Cowie in the 1950 MG TD; the Wellington Gardens float; the Herrick family in a 1948 Packard; the Kingston Star Blazers; Kevin Eaton as a clown; Cub Scout Pack 192; the Swasey Swinging Stars; Verrill Stables of Danville with some fine horses; Ken Smith, Paul Smith, Tim Smith and Joyce Keegal on vintage and contemporary tractors; George Dionne in a 1975 Chevy El Camino; John Standley on a 1949 Allis Chalmers tractor; Greg Haley on a 1946 Farmall M tractor; the Rockingham Riding Club on their beautiful horses; Chappell Tractor East; and a delightful assortment of wagons, Go-Carts, lawn tractors, and bicycles.

At right are some views of this year's parade.

Linda Rousseau

The July 4th Parade



Brentwood Recreation News

There's Still Time to Sign-Up for PlaySoccer Camp!

We will be hosting one week of camp this year and the dates are July 27-31. There will be two separate programs that week, one for Tots (ages 4-6, from 5:30-7pm) and one for Juniors (ages 7-12, from 9am-12pm). Brochures and registration forms are now available. Online signups will also be accepted at playsoccercamps.com (look under camps and Brentwood, NH). The cost is \$105 for the Juniors camp and \$75 for the Tots camp. **Consider hosting one of the visiting coaches and receive a half-day scholarship to camp for one week FREE!**

Summer YOGA Classes

Tuesday Evenings 6:30-7:45pm
July 14 – September 1 (no class July 21)
 Brentwood Rec. Center, 190 Rte. 125

All-levels yoga classes, taught by Yoga Alliance Certified Instructor, Wilhelmina Bradley, RYT. The cost will be \$8.00 per class (collected at the door before each class).

These will be yoga classes for anyone who has already experienced yoga, as well as for someone who would like to try yoga for the first time. Bring a yoga mat or a towel, and if you have one, a long belt to help make stretching easier. If you have a pair of yoga 'blocks,' bring them along, too! Dress in comfortable clothing for this hour-and-fifteen minute class to enjoy the benefits of yoga for strength, flexibility, and for stress-reduction in your life.

Attention Future Babysitters

We are again offering an American Red Cross babysitting training course August 4 from 9:00am-3:00pm. The cost is \$45.00. Participants will learn first aid, decision making, basic care skills, toy safety and more. Class size is limited, so sign up soon! You can register at the Recreation office or contact us through the Recreation website.

Archery Course

This is an introduction to Junior Olympic Archery course. The class is for children 8 yrs. and older who are new to archery and competition. Form and safety will be emphasized. New England School of Archery, Inc. provides all equipment. If you have your own, you may bring it to class with the understanding that it will need approval for both safety and proper fit, before it will be allowed to be used in class. **Aug. 3-6 from 9-10:00am.** Cost is \$55. Space is limited.

The Hot Weather is Coming! Discount Water Country tickets are available again this Summer while supply lasts. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased at the Recreation office.

Softball/Baseball

Thank you to all our coaches of our Softball and Baseball teams! All your time and effort with our players is very much appreciated.

Our seasons went very well. Some highlights include our Rookie and Farm teams finishing their first season in the Diamond League (Brentwood, Kingston, East Kingston and Fremont) and the U12 Softball team finishing fourth at the league tournament (11 & 3 for the season).

We would like to again thank the following sponsors that helped to make our program possible:

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| Terrific Landscape | Michaud Bus Sales |
| Exeter Motor Works, | Lawn Doctor |
| Nici Automotive Services | King Motor Sales |
| Daigneault's Sports | Beebe Trucking |
| Bestway Disposal | Appliance Services |
| Glass Pro | Lamprey River Bowhunters |
| Applied Motion Solutions | Patriot Trophy |
| Tony LeClerc State Farm Insurance | |

Fall Soccer

Sign-ups for the Fall soccer program for Kindergarten through 3rd grade will begin mid-Summer. Registration forms will be available in the Recreation office or on our website at that time.

Cribbage Anyone?

A cribbage group has formed and begun meeting at the BCC on Monday evenings at 7pm. They will start up again in the Fall. If you would like to join us or just want more information, please contact Ursula Mackey at ucbm@comcast.net or 603-642-9178.

Facilities Rental

Our weekends at the Community Center are filling up fast with birthdays, showers, and other events through the summer and now into the Fall. If you're interested in booking a date, please don't delay—it's getting to be a busy place! (And don't forget that Brentwood residents receive a 50% discount off the rental rates!)

Don't forget the website

Check out the Recreation pages on the town website, www.brentwoodnh.gov. Necessary forms are there to be downloaded for your convenience, as well as other important information about current programs and events.

Margaret Dullea, Recreation Director

(603) 642-6400 ext. 20 recreation@brentwoodnh.gov

Office hours: Mon. Tues. & Thurs. 9-3pm

Commission meetings 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm.

Brentwood Historical Society



A welcome stream of visitors came to look around in the Historical Society Museum before and after the parade on July 4th. There were several long-time residents who had not been in the museum in years. Other visitors had young children who had their pictures taken sitting on or trying out some of the old tools and machines. President Alma Vahey welcomed one and all. The museum will be open again on Saturday, August 1 from 10 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Historical Society Announces Two Fall Events

Antique Evaluation Day

Saturday, September 26, 10 am – 1 pm
at the Museum, 140 Crawley Falls Road
Learn more about your favorite treasures.

Vintage Vehicle Day

Saturday, October 17, 10 am – 1 pm
at the Museum, 140 Crawley Falls Road
Coordinated by Doug Cowie, 642-4157

More details in the September Newsletter

Historical Note: "Mills"

In searching through the written accounts of early history, reading deeds, listening to old timers' stories, one cannot help but realize that Brentwood was a prosperous business area in the olden days. Mills flourished along the sixteen miles of River from Pickpocket to Copy Hold. This river known now as the Exeter, formerly called Squamscott, appears in old records as the "Great fresh water river."

Brentwood's 225 Years, 1742-1967 – page 69.

Mary E. Bartlett Memorial Library

This will be short and sweet...check out our website at brentwoodlibrary.org for the full schedule of the summer reading program. It is a terrific way to keep your children reading over the vacation. There are also plenty of programs for everyone to enjoy including rainy day movies...not that we have had much rain lately.

Be sure and check out our passes. Thanks to the Friends and the Violet and Martin Lindon Fund, we have more passes than ever. Go to our website and click on the button to the right. You will find links to all of the passes available.

New in Town starring Renee Zellweger and Harry Connick Jr. rated PG will be shown on Thursday, **July 9 at 7:00 for ladies only**. The movie for Thursday, **August 13**, same time same place, is *The Holiday* starring Cameron Diaz, Kate Winslet, Jude Law and Jack Black.

The **Friday Night Flick for July 17** is *Inkheart*, based on the novel by Cornelia Funke, and starring Brendan Fraser and Paul Bettany. The **August 7** movie will be *Race to Witch Mountain*, a Disney film rated PG starring *Hannah Montana* starring Miley Cyrus, will be showing on **August 21**. 7:00 p.m. is the time!

When you visit us, take a moment to check out the new Children's Garden Place. In spite of the weather, Joyce Keegal has been soldiering on and trying to get it finished. Thanks to the generosity of Joe Gancarz, we have a lot of lovely, bright yellow and orange marigolds that have been planted. They even look good in the rain!

Enjoy the rest of the summer. Remember we are a pretty good place to visit on these rainy days.

Marilyn Morehead, Library Director

From the Superintendent, SAU 16

The SAU 16 community is very grateful to the many public servants who work collaboratively with their local schools to enhance the safety and security of all of the people who work within the educational system. This includes, but is not limited to, fire, police, medical services, highway personnel, and other town officials.

Programs such as DARE and having a school resource officer at Exeter High School enhance the services provided to our schools. The completion of the security system that ties the Exeter Police Department with Exeter High School is a marvelous example of this cooperative spirit. Many sincere thanks!

Michael A. Morgan

Report from Your State Legislator

Controversy continues to swirl about the state budget and its impact. On June 24, the last day of the 2009 session of the biennium, the House approved the budget, HB 1, by a close margin (202-183) and its sources of revenue, HB 2, (201-183). The vote was pretty much along party lines, with only four Republicans jumping ship to vote with Democrats in favor of the two bills, while 19 Democrats joined with the Republicans in opposition. The Senate vote was similarly close -- 13 Democrats in support, all 10 Republicans and one Democrat in opposition (Senator Lou D'Allesandro had vowed to cast a no vote if his gambling bill was defeated, as it was).

Driven by the requirement in law that the state budget be balanced, the budget process was long and tortuous, beginning over a year ago and culminating in the June 24 votes. The final product, after many public hearings and countless reviews involving legislators, the governor, and state agency officials, pleased nobody. The necessary support for it required a lot of compromises. By definition, compromises include tradeoffs representing gains and losses for participants, and losses are often hard to swallow. I, for one, was unhappy about, among other things, the \$30 increase in car registration fees (a regressive tax), imposition of a 9 percent tax on campground users, and elimination of some much-needed health and human service programs. There are many other weighty or controversial provisions of the budget, such as a cigarette tax, closing of five courts and the Laconia State Prison, layoff of 200 state workers, continued hiring freeze on state employees, and a cut in revenue sharing with towns and cities.

Critics have charged that the budget represents a "massive increase" in spending. However, the independent New Hampshire Center for Public Policy Studies states that the two-year budget contains a one percent reduction in spending from state funds. Total funding, which includes federal stimulus dollars, does go up 11.5 percent.

I did not join the 19 Democrats who voted against the budget. To me, and to all those who voted for it, the consequences of not passing the budget bill far outweighed its negative aspects. The alternatives we faced were a continuing resolution to keep the government operating or a Republican proposal centered on no increase in revenues and a 7 percent across-the-board cut in all state programs on top of the cuts already included in the budget.

A continuing resolution would maintain state funding at the current level, adding to the deficit, because the budget bill's cuts and its increased revenues would not take place. Federal stimulus money would not be accessible. Moreover, the budget battle would have to be renewed. Because broad-based taxes continue to be taboo in NH, whatever balanced budget finally emerged would, like the one passed, require another hard-to-digest mix of program cuts and various tax or fee increases.

The other alternative, put forth by the Republican leadership, would have had even more unpalatable results.

No increase in taxes might have sounded good and a 7 percent cut might not seem like much. But the reduction would amount to \$110 million and, added to the enacted budget cuts, its impact would be painful, to say the least. For example, because the Department of Health and Human Services accounts for about half of all state spending, its programs, such as payment for prescription drugs for non-elderly Medicaid recipients and food stamps for poor families would be sharply cut back. In a sense this was not a viable alternative, for the governor almost certainly would have vetoed it.

While the outcome of the state's budget deliberations was not a cause for elation, it was to an extent satisfactory. Roads will be maintained, social services will not be gutted, public schools will be adequately funded, the criminal justice system will function, state colleges and UNH will not be crippled, Fish and Game and agricultural services will continue, public health services will not be interrupted, state parks will remain open, etc. Compared to the chaos in some other states, most notably California, Illinois, and Pennsylvania, New Hampshire is weathering its budgetary problem relatively well.

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Forum on Cyber-Bullying in October

The Internet Safety Committee will sponsor a community-wide public education forum on cyber-bullying on Thursday, October 15, 2009 at Exeter High School. This Committee includes local and university school officials, community members, parents, and service organizations such as the local Kiwanis Club and Be Net Safe.Org, and businesses such as Microsoft.

Assistant Principal Laura Nelson is overseeing this effort in Exeter.

Exeter High Graduation Date, 2010

It is important to note that the Exeter High School graduation date for the Class of 2010 will not be announced until early March 2010. Every effort will be made to assure that seniors will complete the 175-day requirement for the 2009-2010 school year.

Michael A. Morgan

Supt. of Schools, SAU 16

First Baptist Church of Brentwood

presents a

Yard Sale

Crafts Tables Fresh Veggie Sale

Bake Sale

**Saturday, July 25 8:00 a.m.-
2:00 p.m.**

Table space \$20

Call Maureen Menter, 679-4353

**Corner of Route 125 & North Road
Off-Street Parking**

**Pilgrim Church of Brentwood-Kingston, UCC
announces**

“Christmas in July”

Craft & Vendor Fair

Friday-Saturday, July 24-25

Local craftspeople and vendors interested in
renting a table (\$25.00 for one day, \$35 for two
days) –

e-mail pilgrimucc@pilgrimucc-nh.org
(please indicate July Craft Fair in subject
line)

or call Faith Levesque, 679-9537.

197 Middle Road, Brentwood

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- July 9 **Ladies Night at the Movies.** "New in Town," 7:00 pm, Bartlett Library
July 13 School Board – 6:15 pm, Swasey School
July 16 Planning Board – 7:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office
July 17 **Friday Night Flick.** "Inkheart," 7:00 pm, Bartlett Library
Brentwood Fireworks celebration, Rockingham Nursing Home fields, about 9:00 pm.
July 21 Selectmen's meeting – 7:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office Building
July 24-25 **"Christmas in July"** craft & vendor fair – Pilgrim Church, 197 Middle Road
July 25 **Yard Sale,** crafts, fresh veggie and bake sale tables – **8am--2pm,** Baptist Church, Rte.125 & North Rd.
July 28 Recreation Commission – 7:00 pm, Town Office Building
- Aug. 1 **Open House at Historical Society Museum** – 10 am – 1:00 pm, 140 Crawley Falls Road
Aug. 3 Trails Committee – 7:00 pm, Town Office
Firemen's Association – 7:30 pm, Fire House
Aug. 4 Selectmen's meeting – 7:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office Building
Aug. 5 Cemetery Trustees – 7:00 pm, Town Office Building
Aug. 6 Planning Board – 7:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office
Aug. 7 **Friday Night Flick.** "Race to Witch Mountain," 7:00 pm, Bartlett Library
Aug. 10 School Board – 6:15 pm, Swasey School
Aug. 12 Conservation Commission – 7:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office
Aug. 13 **Ladies Night at the Movies–** "The Holiday," 7:00 pm, Bartlett Library
Aug. 18 Selectmen's meeting – 7:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office
Aug. 20 Planning Board – 7:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office Building
Aug. 21 **Friday Night Flick.** "Hannah Montana," 7:00 pm, Bartlett Library.
Aug. 25 Recreation Commission – 7:00 pm, Town Office Building
Aug. 31 School Opens, all students

The public is welcome at all above events

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